



**GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER**

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Deaths among Undomiciled/Homeless Individuals: January 1, 2020 to December 11, 2020

Report Date: December 15, 2020

The DC Office of the Chief Medical Examiner (OCME) investigated a total of **180** deaths where the decedent was undomiciled, from January 1, 2020 to December 11, 2020. For this report, an undomiciled decedent refers to an individual who did not have stable housing and/or resided at a homeless shelter at the time of their death. Below is a count of deaths per month and a breakdown by Cause and Manner of Death.

Deaths per Month Among Undomiciled Individuals (2020)	
Month	Count
January	13
February	17
March	11
April	33
May	20
June	14
July	15
August	11
September	17
October	14
November	5
December	10
Total	180

COVID-19 Deaths per Month Among Undomiciled Individuals	
Month	Count
April	11
May	6
June	3
July	1
August	0
September	0
October	0
December	1
Total	22

Deaths Among Undomiciled Individuals by Cause and Manner of Death (2020)	
Accident	90
Alcoholism	1
Asphyxia	1
Bunt Injury (Traffic)	3
Blunt Injury (Other)	2
Hyperthermia	1
Hypothermia	1
Intoxication	80
Thermal	1
Homicide	9
Firearm	6
Sharp Force	3
Natural	51
AIDS	1
Alcoholism	1
Cancer	1
Cardiovascular Disease	18
Diabetes	4
Infection	22
Infectious Disease	3
Other	1
Suicide	4
Blunt Impact (Non-Metro Train)	1
Blunt Impact (Traffic)	1
Firearm	1
Hanging	1
Undetermined	2
Drowning	1
Undetermined	1
Pending	24
Total	180

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